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LIDL VOLUNTARILY RECALLS 8.4 OZ FAVORINA BRANDED ADVENT CALENDAR (PREMIUM CHOCOLATE WITH A CREAMY FILLING) DUE TO POTENTIAL *SALMONELLA* CONTAMINATION

ARLINGTON, VA –Lidl US has announced a voluntary recall for the 8.4 oz Favorina branded Advent Calendar (Premium Chocolate with a Creamy Filling) due to potential *Salmonella* contamination.

This voluntary recall was issued because some items may be contaminated with *Salmonella*. *Salmonella* is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis, and arthritis.

Units affected by this recall:

- Were available for sale at Lidl stores between October 12, 2022 and December 5, 2022
- Will have a BEST IF USED BY year of **2023**
- Will have a barcode number of 4056489516965

This issue was found during routine testing, which Lidl performs on an ongoing basis to help ensure safe and quality products for our customers. Lidl US has received no reports or complaints of illness related to this product to date.

Lidl US takes the health and safety of its customers as its top priority. If customers have purchased this product, they should not consume the product, and immediately return it to their nearest Lidl store for a full refund.

Customers who have questions about this voluntary recall should call the Lidl US Customer Care Hotline at 1-844-747-5435 (8 am-8 pm ET, Monday-Saturday).

Lidl US regrets any inconvenience related to this voluntary recall, which is issued in keeping with our focus on customer health and safety. Our Quality Assurance Department works around-the-clock to ensure that all products on our shelves meet the high-quality standards that we would expect when feeding our own families. We are grateful for all our Lidl US customers who choose to shop with us every day.



About Lidl

Lidl operates more than 12,000 stores and is active in 32 countries, employing more than 360,000 employees globally. Lidl offers customers high quality fresh produce, meat, bakery items, and a wide array of household products at unbelievably low prices. Lidl first established its U.S. headquarters in Arlington County, Virginia, in June 2015, and today sells its award-winning products in more than 170 stores across nine east coast states and Washington, D.C. For more information, visit www.Lidl.com.





FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS):

Q. What products are affected by this recall?

A. This voluntary recall only affects the 8.4 oz Favorina branded Advent Calendar (Premium Chocolate with a Creamy Filling) sold at Lidl US stores between October 12th and December 5th, 2022.

Q. What are the potential issues with the products?

A. This product is being voluntarily recalled due to a potential *Salmonella* contamination. *Salmonella* is an organism that poses a serious health risk to young children, pregnant women, the elderly, and others with weakened immune systems.

Q. How is Lidl conducting this recall? How do I participate?

A. We have removed the affected products from our shelves and we are asking all customers who have purchased this product to not consume it and return it to one of our stores for a full refund. Any customers with questions or concerns can contact Lidl Customer Care at (844)-747-5435 (8am-8pm ET, Monday-Saturday).

Q. I no longer have the receipt for the product. Can I still return it?

A. Yes. You can still return the product without a receipt for a full refund.